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CITY OF BELLEVUE, WASHINGTON

RESOLUTION NO. 7063

A RESOLUTION authorizing the City Manager or his designee to sign the 2004 Amendment to the I-90 Memorandum of Agreement.

WHEREAS, Bellevue's 1999 Transportation Regional Vision calls for significant investment in General Purpose, HOV, Regional Bus and High Capacity Transit in order to improve the City's and region's economic vitality and quality of life through an array of mobility solutions; and

WHEREAS, the City of Bellevue has been an active participant of the I-90 Steering Committee comprised of Bellevue, Mercer Island, Seattle, King County, WSDOT and Sound Transit since 1999 charged with planning for the Sound Transit's I-90 Two-Way Transit/HOV projects — a critical corridor project adopted as part of Sound Move approved by voters in 1996; and

WHEREAS, Bellevue adopted an I-90 Interest Statement in 1999 and has expressed subsequent support for Alternative R8A that provides significant congestion relief for all users of I-90, especially transit and HOV users through the construction of new HOV lanes on I-90 outer bridges; and

WHEREAS, Bellevue, Mercer Island, Seattle and King County all signed letters on July 15, 2003 that commits each party to support R8A and accompanying future HCT planning for I-90's center lanes, the intent of which is formally embodied in a proposed Amendment to the I-90 Memorandum of Agreement; and

WHEREAS, the I-90 Steering Committee and the Sound Transit Board of Directors adopted Alternative R8A as it's Preferred Alternative in November 2003 and committed to adoption of an Amendment to the I-90 Memorandum of Agreement prior to the issuance of the FEIS for the I-90 project scheduled for summer 2004; and

WHEREAS, Bellevue passed Resolution No. 6985 approving the original proposed Amendment on April 26, 2004; and

WHEREAS, the City of Mercer Island adopted a resolution approving a revised version of the Amendment to the I-90 Memorandum of Agreement on August 2 2004, and the Sound Transit Board also approved the revised version of the Amendment on August 8, 2004; and

WHEREAS, the revisions to the Amendment approved by the Mercer Island City Council are non-substantive and are consistent with the intent of the parties in supporting R8A; and

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WHEREAS, this amends the 1976 Memorandum of Agreement and should be adopted by all Parties of the I-90 Steering Committee; now, therefore

THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF BELLEVUE, WASHINGTON, DOES **RESOLVE AS FOLLOWS:**

Section 1. The City Manager or his designee is hereby authorized to sign the 2004 amendment to the I-90 Memorandum of Agreement, in substantially the form as that copy of which Amendment has been given Clerk's Receiving No. 36442.

Section 2. This resolution shall take effect immediately upon adoption.

Passed by the City Council this 7^{44} and signed in authentication of its passage the 2004.	day of <u>September</u> , 2004, his <u>7th</u> day of <u>September</u> ,
(SEAL)	
	<u>Conneils Mausinall</u> Connie B. Marshall, Mayor

Attest:

Myrna L. Basich, City Clerk